the Germans attempted an attack against our advanced poets in the neighborhood of Oudstuyvakenskerke. They were completely repulsed."

"Today our batteries of all calibers carried out in the region of Hetsas a destructive fire against German works, which replied feebly."

British Gains Admitted.

BERLIN, July 15, via London.-Following is the text of today's official statement regarding operations on the western front:

"British attacks which followed the first sanguinary repulse suffered by them north of the Somme led to heavy fighting. By his forces massed between Pozieres and Longueval the enemy, in spite of the most severe losses, suc-

Pozieres and Longueval the enemy, in spite of the most severe losses, succeeded in penetrating our lines and gaining some ground. He also occupied Trones wood.

"The attack has been stemmed, but the fighting is being continued.

"South of the Somme there was no infantry activity.

"Aside from futile actions undertaken by small British detachments east of Armentieres in the region of Angres, in the Neuville sector and northeast of Arras, nothing of importance occurred on the rest of the front."

NEW LINE FOR CAPITAL

Newport News Railway Said to Have Gained Entrance to Union Station.

PALTIMORE: Md., July 15 .- The Baltimore Evening Sun says: Through a connection with the Baltimore and Ohio railroad the newly organized Washington and Newport lews Short Line Railway Company will gain an entrance into the District of

completed a day or two ago.

porate name was changed and the

final organization of the road was just

completed a day or two ago.

"The management states that fully 80 per cent of the rights of way have been secured, and unless some unforeseen obstacles arise to delay matters construction will actually begin within the next few months.

"The line going north from Newport News will traverse Hampton and Elizabeth City county, cross York river on a bridge to Gloucester Point and proceed thence through Gloucester county, Middlesex, across the Rappahannock river, through Westmoreland and King counties to Metomkin Point; thence over the Potomac and through Charles county, Md., and finally connecting with the Shepherd's branch of the Baltimore and Ohio at the District of Columbia line."

ALLEGED TO BE FORGERY.

F. L. Richards Cashes \$2,000 Check Bearing T. M. Osborne's Signature. BALTIMORE, July 15 .- Representing

himself as the private secretary of Thomas Mott Osberne, warden of Sing Sing prison, F. L. Richards, claiming to be a "reformed" convict, obtained \$2,000 yesterday from a Baltimore bank on a check bearing Mr. Osborne's

stroyers Drayton and Paulding left the Philadelphia navy yard today under sealed orders. It was believed at the yard that the ships are bound for the Virginia capes for neutrality duty in connection with the departure of the German submarine Deutschland. The destroyers arrived at the Delaware capes tonight.

to see a parade and review of those given at 5 o'clock this afternoon on the main parade ground at Fort Myer and adjoining the camp site. The left Battalion of Infantry, Maj. Joseph F. Hodgson, commanding, and the machine gun company, the organizations which are to go to the front to-wiewed by Gen. Harvey.

Last Night at Camp Ordway.

PREFERENTIAL SHOP A SNAG.

Chief Obstacle in Way of Settling

fused to discuss the question of the preferential shop. As this was the fundamental principle of the union Mr Hillquitt said, nothing further could be discussed until some agreement was

be discussed until some agreement was reached off the main issue.

William F. Klein, an attorney for the manufacturers, said the union was not living up to its agreement which brought the two sides in conference, by injecting the preferential union shop question into the discussions. He added that the manufacturers were willing to concede all other demands of the union, provided they were permitted to increase or decrease their working force as deemed necessary.

AUTO WRECKED; FOUR BURNED

Machine Is Struck by Train at Leesburg, Ind.

WARSAW, Ind., July 15 .- Milton Brumbaugh, sixty years old, and his wife of the city to show their patriotism were burned fatally and Benton Genzhorn and wife of South Haven, Mich., were injured, probably fatally, when an automobile in which they were riding was struck by a New York Central train at Leesburg, near here, thisaft-

automobile, was burned to a crisp when the gasoline from the tank of the ma-chine caught fire. His wife died a few hours later of burns.

Mrs. Genzhorn's back was broken.

Brumbaugh is not believed to have seen the train.

twenty-two French and British seroplanes captured by the Germans on the western front last month.

In the statement the war office asks the British and French authorities to publish details "in regard to Garman aeroslanes which our enamies pre-

TROOPS REVIEWED AT CAMP ORDWAY

Fifteen Hundred Men Make Fine Showing Passing Before Gen. Harvey.

SOME OF THE MEN PAID. **BUT OTHERS STILL WAIT**

Part of District Organized Militia Expected to Entrain Tomorrow for Border.

After nearly one full month of field militia, a portion of the District of Columbia's contribution of her fighting youth to the mobilization for border service, paraded and was reviewed late yesterday afternoon by Brig. Gen. William E. Harvey, commanding Camp Ordway at Fort Myer, and Mai. J. H. Fenton, commanding the post at Fort

It was the first parade and review of the camp. Without the heavy field marching equipment, but with the swinging stride of seasoned regulars, the troops, tanned from their month o outdoor service, marched before the News short-line kniway cumpany are pain an entrance into the District of Columbia, and likewise the Union station at Washington, and will thus be in a position to establish a new direct line between Washington and Newport News. The company was originally called the Norfolk, Washington and New York railway, but later the corporate was a character of the company of

Cheered by the Spectators.

Cheer after cheer went up from the crowds of spectators who watched the body of regular and militia troops pass the reviewing officers. No organization seemed to be a favorite then, for the people seemed to be with them all.

Lieut. Col. Glendie B. Young led the parade. When he had passed Gen. Harvey he joined them in the review. There passed then the 3d Infantry Band, twelve companies of infantry, nearly every one of which was a minimum peace strength or nearly so; the machine gun company, detachment of sanitary troops with litters, two batteries of field artillery dismounted, Troop A. District cavalry, dismounted, a section of field artillery, mounted, and two troops of the 2d Cavalry at Fort Myer, headed by Maj. Fenton.

When the dismounted troops had passed off the field and were returning to the camp the mounted section of field artillery and the troops of regular cavalry turned about and again passed the reviewing officer, this time making a charge, the horses galloping the full length of the parade ground. the people seemed to be with them all.

Some of the Men Are Paid.

When the troops returned to the camp they found a real surprise, or rather ome of them did. They were marched signature. Richards was introduced at the bank by Leigh Bonsal of this city, a friend of Mr. Osborne.

Mr. Bonsal was unaware that he had been imposed on until he received a telephone call today from Mr. Osborne. The latter said the check was a forgery, that Richards had been his secretary at one time, and that he had a criminal record.

According to Mr. Bonsal, Thursday evening he received a telegram from Springfield, Mass., saying Mr. Osborne's secretary was coming with a check and asking him to introduce the man to his bank.

A warrant for Richards' arrest was issued today.

SAIL UNDER SEALED ORDERS.

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Capes for Neutrality Duty.

PHILADELPHIA, July 15.—The destroyers Brayton and Paulding left the to the Y. M. C. A. tent, where the out on their application, if approved

Last Night at Camp Ordway.

They will be marched on the parade round in their heavy marching equipnent, with the new infantry packs buckled to their backs, and completely uniformed in new clothes, from shoe

Cloak and Suit Strike.

NEW YORK, July 15.—The preferential union shop demand is the chief obstacle in the way of settlement of the strike and lockout which has paralyzed the women's cloak and suit industry in this city for three months, it was learned at the close of today's conference between representatives of the union and manufacturers.

Moses Hillquitt, attorney for the union, said the manufacturers offered to agree to virtually everything else the union asks, such as hours, wages and sanitary shop conditions, but refused to discuss the question of the Although the time for the movement to the provent of the sain and the trains with the equipment and the train movement to the border.

Although the time for the movement

any delay in the train movement to the border.

Although the time for the movement has not been set, it is probable that they will leave about 6 o'clock. The troops will not go unheralded, as did those that participated in the first movement, for they will be given all the send-off that beat of drums and fiare of trumpets can provide. They will be marched from the camp to the railroad yards at Rosslyn behind the 3d Infantry Band. Every opportunity will be given the men by the camp officers to say good-bye to their friends and relatives, both at the camp and at the railroad station. Their friends will be allowed to be at the car windows until the cars are pulled out of the yards and started on their five-day run to Bisbee.

Officers Push Recruiting.

Every effort is being made by the camp officers to stir up interest in enlistments. They point out that there is fine opportunitty for the young men done. Two sections will participate by "doing their bit" of service on the oorder, as well as to obtain a training border, as well as to obtain a training and live an outdoor life that will be of benefit to them in years to come. All of the troops, it was announced, will leave this camp for border service, even if only for a short time. Every man who enlists now will leave Camp Ordway for some point along the border to participate in the military patrol system which is being maintained there, it is stated.

The 2d and 3d Battallons of the 3d Infantry, as well as the regimental head-

Infantry, as well as the regimental head-quarters, will be out of Camp Ordway within two weeks, provided the recruits to fill up the companies are obtained. The

GERMANS TAUNT ENEMIES.

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Ask for Details of Aeroplanes Reported to Have-Been Captured.

BERLIN. July 15, by wireless to Say.

Wille, N. Y.—The war office today published a list of the types, classes of motors and pames of occupants of twenty-two French and British agro-

Asks Free Postage for Guardsmen. Free postage for national guards-men doing patrol duty on the Mexican border is asked for in a resolution in troduced yesterday by Representative Campbolt of New Jersey.

SEACOAST TRENCHES ON THE FLANDERS FRONT.



REMARKABLE CONSTRUCTION OF GERMAN TRENCHES ON THE SANDS OF A BEACH ON THE EXTREME SEACOAST OF FLANDERS. ROWRPROOF SHELTERS HAVE ALSO BEEN BUILT OUT OF TIMBER, SAND AND SANDBAGS. THIS IS A NEW PICTURE OF TRENCHES OVER WHICH THE ALLIES MAY HAVE TO WORK

LIGHTS ACROSS BORDER PUZZLE D. C. TROOPS

Believed That Mexicans Are Signaling to Their Own Forces on This Side-Men Desire Pay.

BY J. CROSBY McCARTHY.

WARREN, Ariz., July 15 .- Lights of mountain peaks north of here caused much speculation tonight among the District Signal Corps stationed here. It was generally believed that the lights were Mexican signals mean for Mexican forces across the border Efforts to ascertain the causes of the lights were being made.

The delay in the pay of the mer which is overdue, is causing consid erable dissatisfaction and unfavorable when they volunteered to go to the front for the sake of the country.

Ten May Seek Discharges.

The recent order of the Secretary of War to the effect that men in the guard having dependent families be mustered

MOUNTED TROOPS PLAN FIELD DAY TOMORROW

Events to Be Held on Parade Ground North of Camp - Commands Going Away to Be Reviewed.

Plans are being perfected by the mounted troops, Batteries A and B of field artillery and Troop A of cavalry for a big field day to be held on the parade ground just north of the mounted organization camp tomorrow afternoon, beginning at 3:30 o'clock Brig. Gen. William E. Harvey, commanding the camp, has authorized the affair, and the men are working hard to get up the events. The general pubto get up the events. The general pub-lic is urged to attend, as immediately after the close of these events the or-ganizations which are going away will be marched on the same ground in heavy marching order to be re-viewed by Gen. Harvey before they entrain at Rosslyn.

Those in charge of the exercises are

Top Sergt. Maurice McGrath of Bat tery B, Guidon Daniel Herzog and John A. Lewis of Battery A and Private J. B. Mulford of Troop A, cavalry.

To See Fancy Riding.

In addition to the events for the men the spectators will be given an opportunity to see some fancy riding by the militiamen, including the monkey drill, Roman races and a section race. The last mentioned will show how the American artillerymen go into action and the speed with which it can be two guns and two caissons. At a given signal the men go to the

harness, place it on the horses, hook them to the field pieces and then dash them to the neid pieces and then dash across the field to a given spot, unlimber, set the guns for action and fire one blank cartridge each. The first to fire wins the race, providing he is not penalized for misplaced harness or other mistakes.

Other Events on Program.

Other events will include boxing wrestling, 100-yard dash, relay race, 1-mile race, broad jump, pole vaulting. 12-pound shot-put, potato race and three-legged race. Other events probably will be staged, as the committee had not completed the program las night.

The events in which the horses will participate are likely to be the most in-teresting to the general publis, as they indicate not only what is expected of the regular artillerymen, but what the militiamen must do in the way of rid-ing in order to carry the mounts through any action they might be call-ed upon to perform.

NATIONAL GUARD CAMP NOTES

cavalry camp.

Allen Miller, described as the small

Private W. O. Robinson of Troop

ed stone, cracked it and placed it in the deep mud holes which have caused

Through Georgia," was received yester day. It follows:

CHORUS: Hurrah! Hurrah! We'll have a glorious Hurrah! Hurrah! We'll spend our very last

Marching up from Radio,
In the mud and rain;
A pass down in my pocket
For the 'leven thirty train.
Could anything be joilier
Than Just this sweet refrain:
"We're going back to the city!"

There is a reward out for Murphy, the little mascot of Battery B. Any one who instruments Friday night and gave a conreturns Murphy alive will receive \$5 and | cert. Frank Zimson or Top Sergt. Maurice Mc-Grath Murphy is small, but mischievous, Grath. Murphy is small, but mischievous, and well liked by all of the members of the battery, and they miss him very much. the battery, and they miss him very much.

Somebody borrowed Murphy to have his picture taken, and since then he has picture taken, and since then he has ball game this morning on the diamond on the parade ground just outside of the cavelry camp. not been seen.

Top Sergt. McGrath of B Battery says he wishes some one would donate cigarettes for the members of his battery, because he is tired of buying them himself with pay day so far away. est man in point of size in Troop A, re-ceived a letter Friday in which was in-closed a miniature uniform.

Members of Battery B received their hird and last dose of the typhoid prophy-Private W. O. Robinson of Troop A has been granted a furlough for a week to return to the Department of Agriculture to complete some investigations on which he was engaged at the time the call to the colors came.

The very bad place in the road between the camp at Fort Myer and the Highway bridge has been repaired by the members of the 1st Separate Battalion. These men voluntarily went out of the camp yesterday with picks, shovels, rakes and other road implements, hauled stone, cracked it and placed it in lactic yesterday.

Lieut. Gerald McGrath, in throwing away a bottle of oil last night, spilled it all over his nice new uniform. Lieut. Mc-Grath has just been commissioned. The following promotions in Battery B have been announced: Corp. Denekas, to be sergeant; Private Bateman, to be corporal, and Privates Poore and Bernau, to be mechanics.

Sergt. W. I. Doty of Battery A is at the post hospital at Fort Myer, where he underwent a minor operation. He is rapidly improving and expects to return to his command the latter part of this week.

There was a water famine in camp

Bugler Green of Battery A tried a new scheme for making "taps" heard far and wide. He placed a talking ma-chine horn in the end of the bugle.

section of Battery A in the best of con-dition, but the other sections are rapid-ly coming up to the standard set by Bryant, who formerly was a member of the 3d Field Artillery.

Lieut. Mohr of Battery A has been very busy during the past few days issuing equipment to the men.

Members of Battery B want to know who "Me" is. Under this signature several parodies have been sent to the battery. Another one, entitled "Leave," to be sung to the tune of "Marching Through Georgia" was received vector. formerly was a membe

Top Sergt. Sam Ray of Troop A, cavalry, will spend several days at the post at Fort Myer this week undergoing instructions in first sergeant's duties. The instruction will be given by one of the top sergeants of one of the troops of cavalry at the post.

Private R. J. Sauter went down to the corral yesterday and made a brag that he could ride any horse in the corral. He picked out the worst, and after a lively tussle finally admitted the horse Troop A is on

He went to trip. He is

The men say that they appreciate the contributions, but would like to know who the author is.

Q. M. Sergt. Coolidge of Troop A is or furlough for three days. He went to New York on a business trip. He is scheduled to return tomorrow Mess Sergt. J. W. Turner is one of the

most popular men in Troop A, cavalry.
The men say that he puts up the best
mess in camp and that all of them are
pleased. He is an ex-regular cavalry-The men say that he puts up the best mess in camp and that all of them are pleased. He is an ex-regular cavalryman and in civil life is an auditor for the Southern railway. The troopers consider themselves very fortunate in being able to have him to prepare their meals.

In addition to his other duties as troop clerk, Corp. George H. Harris yesterday took upon himself the duty of sprinkling the ground periodically outside of the troop sergeant's tent, in order to keep down the dust.

Corp. Cleveland of Company M, whose enlistment expired yesterday, immediately to the recruiting officer, and took out new papers. He has been in the National Guard for twenty-seven years. During the Cleveland administration, he was a first lieutenant, but resigned to return to his position as color sergeant. He holds all of the medals for marksmanship that can be awarded and even now can make some of the younger members of the guard sit up and take notice when they are on the firing line. His discharge papers read: Character, excellent; service, honest and faithful.

Corp. Cleveland of Company M, whose enlistment expired yesterday, immedi-ately re-enlisted.

Smith.

Third section—Sergt. Weedon, Corp.
O'Donnell, Corp. Blam, Mechanician
Keefe, Mechanician Poore, Privates Bate-

man, Botts, J. P. Brown, A. E. Brown, M. Brotsky, Dean, Downs, Drain, Gamse, Knell, Madden, Ray Powell, Schrum, W. Scott, R. F. Smith and Stingt.

Stinett.
Fourth section—Sergt. Cassedy, Corp. Denegas, Corp. Murphy, Privates Carroll, Harrison, Goldstein, Heck, Pettis, Stone, T. Powell, Schiller, Wallace, Zimson, Ramsdell, Vincent, McKenna, See and Waltham.
Fifth section—Sergt. Rome, Corporal Powers, Privates Robson, Le Dane, Cox, Ellsworth, Heines, Storch, Walters, Conroy, Norris, Presnell, Welsh, Haskill, Taylor, Green.
Sixth section—Sergt. Laufer, Corporal Ryan, Privates Cassell, Colberg, Fill, Hogue, Cumberland, Horn, E. Mohler, Naylor, Robey, Spencer, Streeter, Wills.

Theodore Delavigne, formerly a Washington newspaper man, and now publicity agent for Henry Ford, and Representative Tavenner of Michigan, were visitors at the camp last night.

Sergt, Rome of Battery B has applied for a discharge from that organization to accept a commission as second lieu-tenant in the 3d Field Artillery, New York National Guard. He was former-ly in the regular army. Sergt. Rome took the members of Battery B out to-day and gave them instruction in using day and gave them instruction in using the battery commander telescope.

Calvin Green has been transferred from the regular Field Artillery to Bat-tery B.

Orders have gone out from headquarters that no soldier shall the a horse to any of the pipe lines. One was tied to the spigot at the Y. M. C. A. tent several days ago, became frightened and carried part of the pipe line away with him.

Hughes, 8425 Porter street northwest; Brady H. Kane, 1131 6th street north-west; Henry Hunter, 1308 D street northwest; William H. Hibbert, Alexan-dria, Va., and William J. Epps, Richnorthwest, william H. Hibbert, Alexandria, Va., and William J. Epps, Richmond, Va.

At about 9:30 o'clock the 3d Infantry band began a short concert in front of the station, attracting a number of people, among whom guardemen circulated with appeals to enlist. Enrollment Period Extended

avenue.

R. J. Walker, fifty-six, twice republican nomines for Congress from the seventh district, died at Mount Jack-son, Va. He was a son of the late der that they might go to the post off-samuel Walker, a Confederate soldier, fice to collect their civilian pay.

Bettery B has a band. Several of the collect.

stale.
And tainted meat! The officers have

SIX JOIN DISTRICT GUARD.

Scheduled Start for Border.

The fact that yesterday was pay day

for the guardsmen and that part of the District unit will leave for the border

tomorrow caused recruiting to take

little jump yesterday. Between noor

and 10 o'clock last night six men signe

up at the station at 1225 Pennsylvanis

Recruiting Increases on Eve

BATTERY B OF FIELD ARTILLERY NEEDS MEN

Members Striving to Recruit Up to Minimum Strength So They Can Go to Border.

artillery, are making every effort to get men to enlist in this organization in order that they may soon get the minimum strength of 133 men and be sent to the border. The impression has gotten around, according to the artillerymen, that this battery is full, and no more men can get in. This is not true, as they need the men as badly as any other organization, but they want good, clean-cut men who like action Battery B needs twenty men to draw from in order to fill its ranks. It now has 117, but some of the applicants who apply may be turned down on ficers would like a little recruit reserve from which to draw.
Unofficially the men have learned

Unofficially the men have learned that just as soon as they are recruited up to minimum strength they will be sent to the border. In other respects the battery is ready. Every man is properly uniformed and equipped. The harness, all new, by reason of the fact that this is a new battery, is ready, and the guns have received their war paint, so that there is not a shining bit of steel about them to catch the sunbeams and show the enemy where the gun is There was a water famine in camp Friday. The men were prevented from taking shower baths because the water supply was so low at the post that the shower lines had to be cut off. Mrs. George H. Harris, wife of Corp. Harris, troop clerk of the cavalry or-ganization, was a visitor in the cavalry camp Friday. the enemy where the gun is

Anxious to Get Away.

and they are striving hard to get recruits. They expect to have the full number by the middle of next week and then expect to get away. Lack of men is what is causing the delay in

leaving.

Information has been received by the batterymen that enough horses to mount the whole organization now are on the border waiting for them. As soon as they arrive the horses will be there to put right to the gun carriages and caissons and start for any place on the border where they may be wantted to throw heavy three-inch shells and shrapnel at the enemy.

The receipt of the information that horses for them already were on the border has spurred the men to greater border has spurred the men to greater efforts in obtaining recruits, for they, too, feel confident that they will soon be out of Camp Ordway, where they

Sergt. Charles W. Moore, better known as "Top" Moore, the veteran color sergeant of the 3d Infantry, was discharged yesterday by reason of the exhave spent nearly a month. CAVALRY TROOP NEEDS TWENTY-FIVE RECRUITS

Must Add to Enrollment to Become Eligible for Transfer to Mex-

Corp. C. Bussius of Company M has been appointed company clerk.

Reassignments of men in sections in Battery B were announced last night by Capt. George G. Wilson, commanding, as follows:

First section—Sergt. Hall, Corp. McCarthy, Corp. Ingewersen, Corp. Mohler, Musician Cagnetti, Guidon Chamberlain, Cook Holroyd, Privates Adams, Dement, Greer, Bowman, Buckler, Hoff, Myers, Rockelli, Thompson, Woil, Wells, King, Perkins, W. E. Brown and Devino.

Second section—Sergt. Comegys, Corp. Brown, Corp. Henkleman, Privates Asimakes, Ball, Bennetts, Bernau, Darcy, Denham, Fowler, Gatton, Knott, Lee, G. Lewis, Myrtle Smith, Wheeler, Yarusi, Kelly, F. C. Groff and Joseph H. Smith.

Third section—Sergt. Weedon, Corp. Corp. Plane Weedon, Corp. Corp.

are now using the horses of the regular cavalry at Fort Myer.

May Leave Present Week,

Officers in the camp are scratching their heads. When the fly traps were distributed they were told that stale beer was the best bait, but, lacking that, tainted meat would do. Now, this is a United States camp and there are no intoxicating liquors on the grounds, therefore none can be left over to get stale. The troop, it is understood, may be permitted to leave for the border by the end of the week, provided it can obtain enough men to reach the minimum peace strength. Many of the And tainted meat! The officers have been trying to down stories that tainted meat is being served to the soldiers, and therefore they couldn't very well put it out in the open where people could see it. So they have put fresh meat in them. Practically all of these men were a

textiles used in the manufacture of the uniform for the soldiers of the army and militia, and it was necessary to complete these examinations at as early a time as possible.

Should Become "Recruiters."

It has been suggested that those m who were compelled to leave this organization for any reason should form them-They were Samuel Stevenson, 1322
Harrison avenue southeast; John A. Hughes, 3425 Porter street northwest; Brady H. Kane, 1121 6th street northwest; Henry Hunter, 1308 D street

> Week's Exports, New York, Large. NEW YORK, July 15 .- Exports of war munitions and general merchan dise from the port of New York for the week ending today amounted to

RATED AS WEAPON MEXICAN BANDIT **ELUDES PURSUERS**

Murderer of William Parker and Bride Outwits American Posse.

PLANS FOR NEGOTIATIONS **MAKING RAPID PROGRESS**

Question of Joint High Commission Believed to Depend on Subject of Withdrawal.

Border dispatches conveyed the first official information concerning an exbandit who murdered William Parker and his bride near Hachita, N. M., June 27. These reached the War Depart-Mr. Polk, the acting Secretary of State

left the department early, as did other with the Mexican situation, because of the half holiday. Before leaving Mr. Polk said there was nothing to announce as to the progress of negotiations between the department and Eliseo Arredondo, the Mexican ambassador designate, for a settlement of tries. It is believed that an announce ment will be forthcoming toward the end of this week as to what the plan is for an international joint commission to discuss and settle the Mexican

trouble.

Rumors concerning this plan continue to be circulated, but the State Department maintains its silence. In some quarters there is a belief that the question of whether there shall be such a commission or not depends on whether the State Department will consent to such a commission discussing the withdrawal of United States troops from Mexico. The United States attitude heretofore, has been that the troops are there for the protection of the United States, and, although they are being gradually withdrawn, it is not the desire of the United States to make their complete withdrawal a part of any negotiations that may take place between the two countries.

Gen. Pershing Makes Report. In his dispatch to the War Depart-

ment last night, Gen. Pershing said: "Have ascertained definitely that "Have ascertained definitely that about twenty Americans, accompanied by three Mexicans, entered Mexico in the vicinity of Hachita, in pursuit of Anders Valenzueta and wife, who murdered Mr. and Mrs. Parker near Hachita, about June 27. Americans traveled in automobiles, reaching San Pedro ranch, about ten miles from Ogitas, July 5. Valenzueta had fied, but his wife and uncle were made prisoners and taken back to the American side of the border. No one was badly treated or molested and only the wife and uncle made prisoners. Names of Americans not known, but have names of several men suspected." several men suspected."

Eliseo Arredondo, Gen. Carranza's

Eliseo Arredondo, Gen. Carranza's ambassador designate, yesterday received from the Mexican foreign minister a telegram reiterating a declaration made a fortnight ago that committees of private Mexican institutions in the United States to confer with similar committees here have no commission from the de facto government to deal with matters of international character, either officially or unofficially.

character, either omcially or unofficially.

Selection of Manuel Rivas as Mexican minister to Salvador and Nicaragua, Jose Ugarte, as minister to Costa Rica and Honduras, and Adolfo Rossenweiz as minister to Guatemala was announced. KITCHENS ALONG BORDER

ARE ALL TO BE SCREENED SAN ANTONIO, Tex., July 15 .- A half nillion dollars will be spent by the able business man in Washington quartermaster's department in the erection immediately of screened buildings to be used as kitchens and dining rooms. Notification that the War Department had authorized the expenditure was received at departmental headquarters today. The screen wire buildings will be erected all along the border, the present plan providing for 2,625.

FOUR MEXICANS TO DIE FOR KILLING TROOPER

LAREDO, Texas, July 15 .- Jose Antonio Arre, Jesus Maria Cerra, Paulino Sanchez and Vincente Lira, the four alleged bandits, but self-styled members of the Mexican constitutionalist army, charged with murder in connection with the killing of Corporal William Oberlies of M troop 14th United States Cavalry, today were found guilty by a jury and sentenced to death

The four Mexicans were captured in an engagement with American troops and armed civilians during the attack of the band on San Ygnacio, Texas, June 15. Oberlies was killed. Sanchez, who was seriously injured during the engagement, occupied a cot in front of the jury during the trial.

TO GREET WARDEN OSBORNE. Sing Sing Prison Buildings Decorat-

ed With "Welfare League" Colors. SING SING, N. Y., July 15 .- All the prison buildings here have been decorated with American flags, and green and white bunting, colors of the Mutual Welfare League, in anticimembers of the troop were rejected as pation of the return tomorrow of a result of the physical examinations. Thomas Mott Osborne as warden. Plans and more than a dozen from the bureau have been made, it was announced toof standards of the Department of night, for 1,600 convicts, mobilized un-Commerce were returned to their civ- der the leaders of the league, to line ilian duties by direction of Secretary up at the prison gate and give Mr. Osborne a rousing welcome. A platform has been erected from which Mr. Osgaged in investigations in connection with borne and the retiring warden, George

indictments returned by the Westchester county grand jury, the inmates of Sing Sing have been looking forward to tomorrow's event. Besides a parade, led by the prison band, the program will include floats from every shop, some of them representing the aims and as-pirations of the Mutual Welfare League, founded by Mr. Osborne, and others burlesquing the efforts of those who were responsible for the charges against Mr. Osborne, of which he now has been cleared.

Benefit of Former Italian Subjects.

A resolution introduced yesterday by Representative James of Michigan Citizens' Vigilance Committee Pleased With Proposed Law to Regulate Auctions.

AGAINST FAKERS

OUTLINES THE BENEFITS OF SIMILAR LEGISLATION

Chairman Berberich Cites Reforms Under the Recent Enactment Forbidding False Advertisement.

With the possibility of the "fake auction" bill being passed by Congress in th pedition of American civilians into near future, members of the citizens' vigi-Mexico by automobile in pursuit of the lance committee on false advertising be lieve they will soon have in their hands another weapon with which to fight for cleaner advertising and straight business ment from Gen. Pershing. The bandit in the District of Columbia. Scores of cases for complaint have already been remedied by the committee since the passage of the false advertising law. In officials in other departments occupied practically very case it was found that noral suasion was sufficient to remedy the conditions of which complaint had been made, but at the same time the committe stands ready to enforce the law to the limit if results cannot be obtained in the

easier way. Joseph Berberich, chairman of the committee, explained last evening that the body which he heads is ready for nstant action and fullest co-operation in cases of which complaint may be made and with which the committee has power to deal. Unfortunately, he stated, difficulty had been experienced in obtaining sufficient incriminating evidence to deal with the cases of "fake auctions." alleged "closing out," "bankrupt," "fire" and other sales.

Methods of Filing Complaints. While blacks to be used for filing

complaints in a formal manner have by the committee, he said, any one wishing to make complaint might do not obtain one. The blanks simplify and expedite matters, however. Many of the dealers who, it is

charged, are placing a stigma upon Washington and the reliable merchants of the city are wily enough to remain dealings, or, at least, contrive so that no case can be made out against them. bill, however, this obstacle to dealing with them will be removed, as the District Commissioners will then have the authority to revoke the licenses under which they are operating. It was suggested last night that the vigilance committee might write to other cities which are in the same position as Washington, so that they may take immediate steps for the passage of necessary laws to prevent the "fly-by-night" merchants from finding "new prey" in other parts of the country.

The committee did communicate with other cities regarding the false advertising law and urged countrywide cooperation in making advertising cleaner and better. The Associated Advertising Clubs of America co-operated to the fullest extent with the local vigilance committee. District Commissioners will then have

"We are anxious to rid Washington of these fraudulent dealers," said Mr. Berberich, emphatically, last evening. We want to do everything in our power to get rid of them. They are loing great injury in Washington to

the legitimate business interests "The public must be protected if w lic, and this is the desire of every reli Any one who complains to us may be

Any one who complains to us may be assured that we will take action immediately; also, we shall act in every case which comes to cur attention even indirectly."

In a number of cases which the committee has handled so far it has found a perfect willingness upon the part of business men to co-operate and that the false advertising of which they had been guilty had been done largely through negligence, rather than intent. Since the same results were accomplished by explaining matters to these business men and having them take action in this way as would have been accomplished through the arm of the law, the easier and more amicable manner was chosen.

Co-operation probably will prove the most effective means of cleaning Washington of its present "pests," it is believed, by a number of members of the committee. Complaints should be made of false advertising and word should be passed around to keep clear of fake sales and fake auctions is the advice given.

ITALY HAS DENOUNCED

COMPACT WITH GERMANY

ROME, July 15, via Paris.-The agreenent that has been in effect between Germany and Italy providing for the mutual respect by the two nations of the rights of each other's subjects, has been denounced by Italy, owing to the been denounced by hostile attitude of Germany, according to the Giornale d'Italia today. No control pow exists between the two vention now exists between the nations, the newspaper declares.

CONTINUE TO PRESS TURKS.

Petrograd Claims Fresh Successes for Russians in the Caucasus. PETROGRAD, July 15, via London an official statement issued today dealing with the Caucasus says:

"The offensive of our troops west of the meridian of Erzerum is continuing with success. We have captured a fresh series of Turkish positions. Our forces are fifteen versts (about ten miles) from Baiburt.

borne and the retiring warden, George
W. Kirchwey, are expected to address
the prisoners.
Since Mr. Osborne relinquished the
wardenship six months ago to defend
himself against charges contained in the spite the desperate resistance of the
Turka. Turks.

TO PAVE WAY FOR PEACE.

German National Committee Soon to Begin Labors. LONDON, July 15 .- The German na-

tional committee, which recently was organized under the presidency of Prince von Wedel for the purpose of preparing the minds of the German people for "an honorable peace," will oon begin its labors with a series of meetings in various towns in Germany. SES, 325,048, compared with \$47,645,992 Representative James of Michigan the week before. Total exports from would direct the Secretary of State to semulate the calendar year amount to \$1,436,240,741.

Prince George of England, who is conly fourteen years of aga, is an export with knitting needles.

Representative James of Michigan at Amsterdam, the committee is representative open negotiations with Italy for a treaty to exempt former Italian subjects, who have become American cities and professors of the most sens, and their sons from service in the Italian army and navy. It was report with knitting needles. According to Reuter's correspondent